

Joint Appropriations Committee

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Georgia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities

Commissioner Kevin Tanner
January 17, 2023

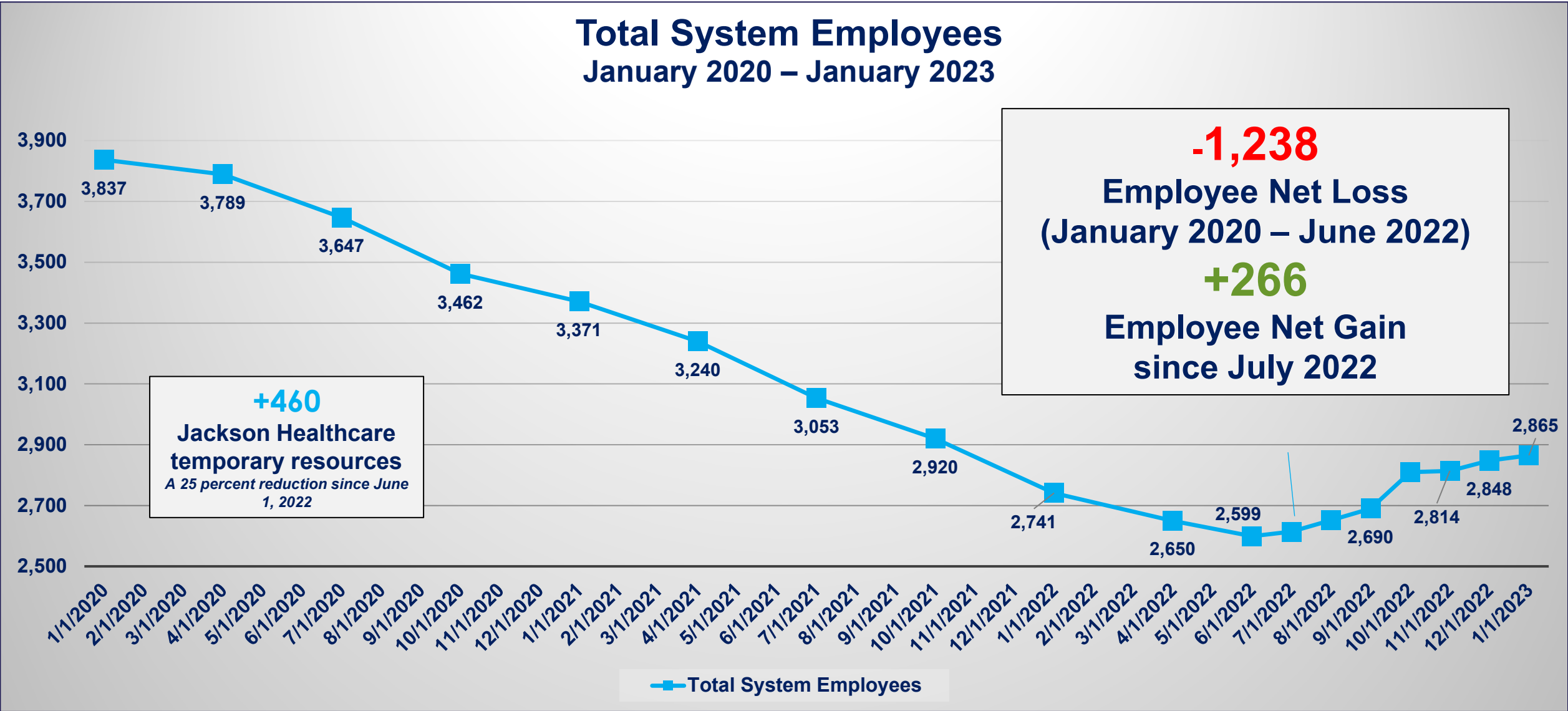


Agency Updates

FY2023



Hospital Workforce: *Change Over Time*

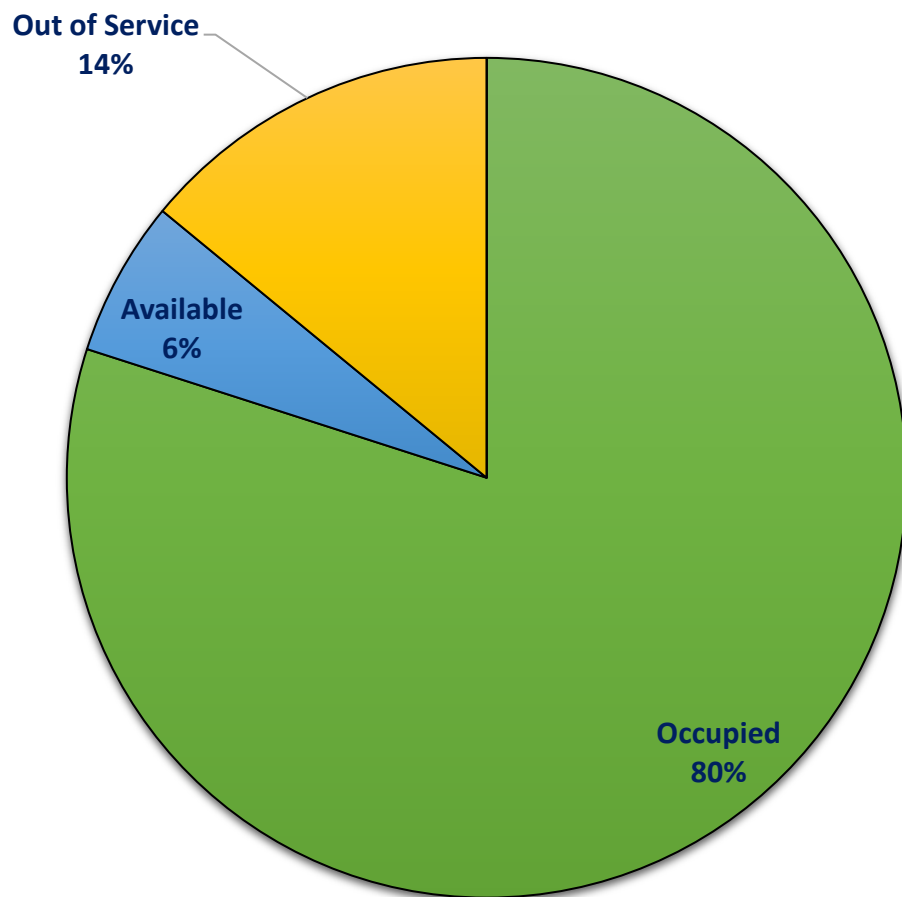


FY 2023 Hospital Pay Package = Increased Capacity

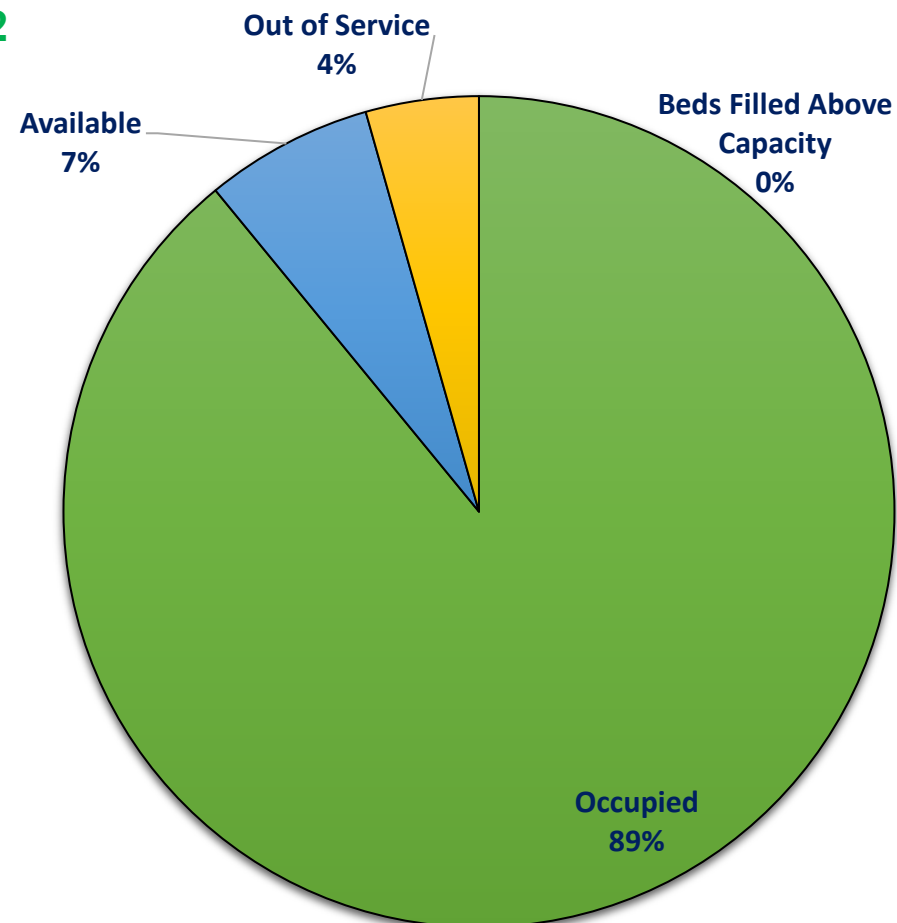
70% reduction in beds offline since March 2022

FY23 Investment:

\$24,578,312



Status: March 16, 2022

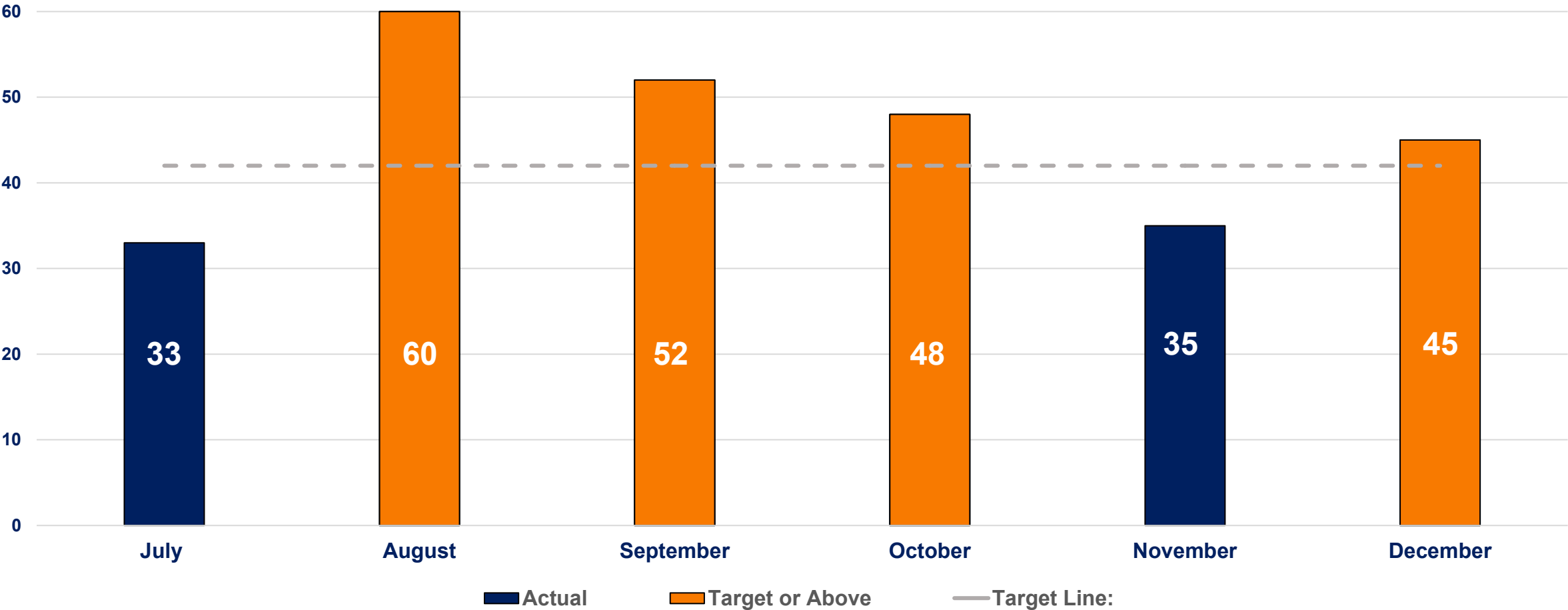


Status: January 4, 2023

FY 23 Update – Monthly Waiver Enrollment

DBHDD is on track to enroll 513 Georgians into NOW/COMP waiver services in FY 23

Target: 43 per month



Update – Rate Studies

Waiver Programs Supporting Georgians with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

- First comprehensive review of all New Options Waiver (NOW) and Comprehensive Supports Waiver (COMP) service lines in more than 15 years
- FY 23 Appropriations Bill directed DBHDD to utilize ARPA funds for the rate study
- Status:
 - Preliminary report released by Burns and Associates, December 2022
 - Public Comment through January 20, 2023
 - Final Draft expected Spring 2023

Behavioral Health Provider Reimbursement Rates

- Current rates set in 2008 based on data and wages from 2007
- FY 23 Appropriations Bill funded a rate study for behavioral health services
- Status:
 - Preliminary report under development by Deloitte on behalf of DCH
 - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services must review and certify

Note: an analysis of behavioral health market rates was completed by DCH in compliance with HB 1013; however, CMS requires an actuarially sound Medicaid Cost/Rate Study as a foundation for proposed rate changes

Actions: Increasing Funding & Capacity

\$21.3
MILLION
invested
in 9-8-8
in 24
months



**Someone to
call**

\$7.3 million

State funds: \$1.5 million

Impact

- Average Speed to Answer reduced from **+200 seconds** in FY 21 to less than **10 seconds**

Outlook

- Marketing for 9-8-8 slated to begin Fall 2023



**Someone to
respond**

\$525,000

Impact

- Added GPS functionality and expanded telehealth capability

Outlook

- Demand for mobile crisis response team services has increased more than **37%** since FY20
- Service will be rebid in 2023



**A safe place
for crisis
care**

\$13.5 million

State funds: \$7.1 million

Impact

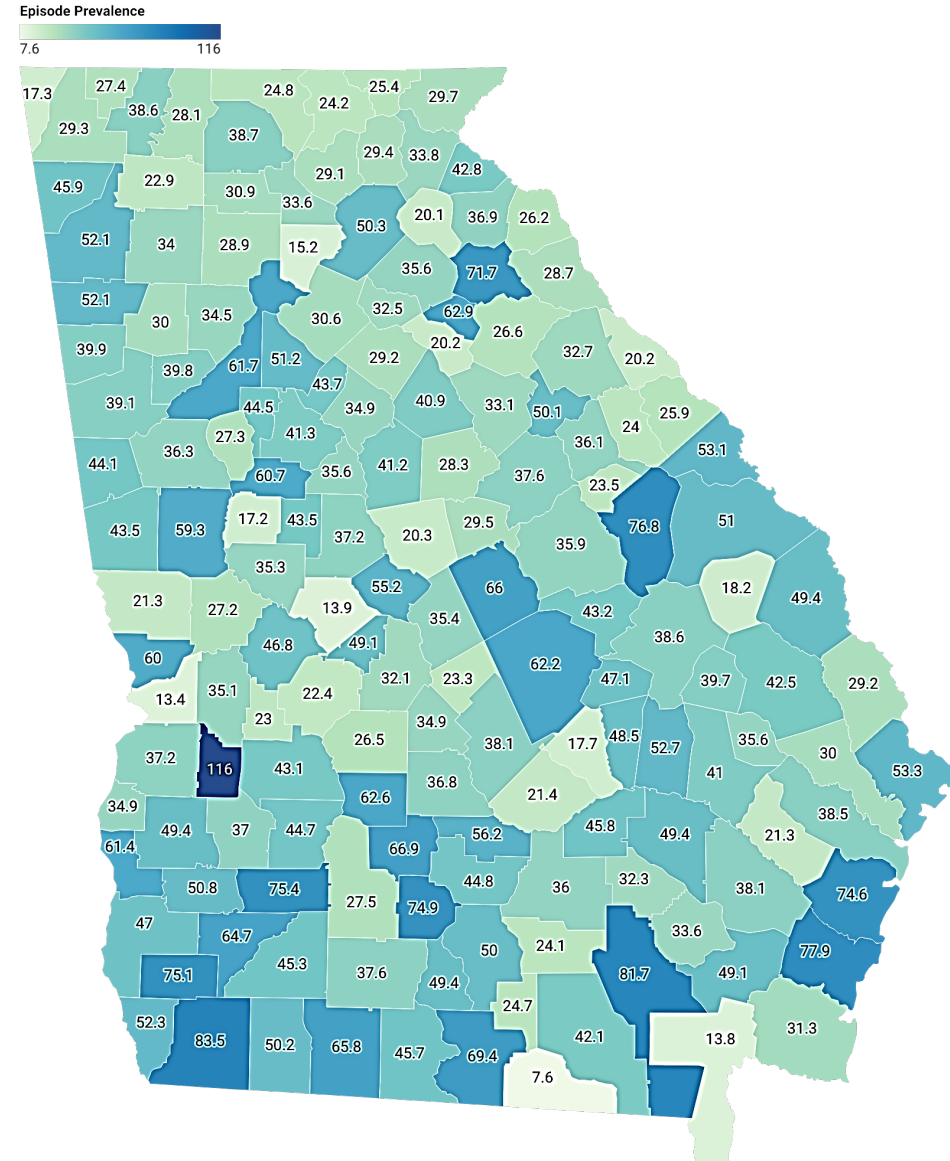
- Expanded bed capacity in facilities in high-need areas with ability quickly to ramp up capacity
 - Serenity CSB: 8 beds, 16 temporary observation chairs
 - Bradley Center: 13 beds
 - Grady: 18 med/psych beds

Outlook

- Current bed capacity limited by workforce
- Independent study of crisis capacity needs

Crisis Episodes by Prevalence, Episodes per 10,000 Residents

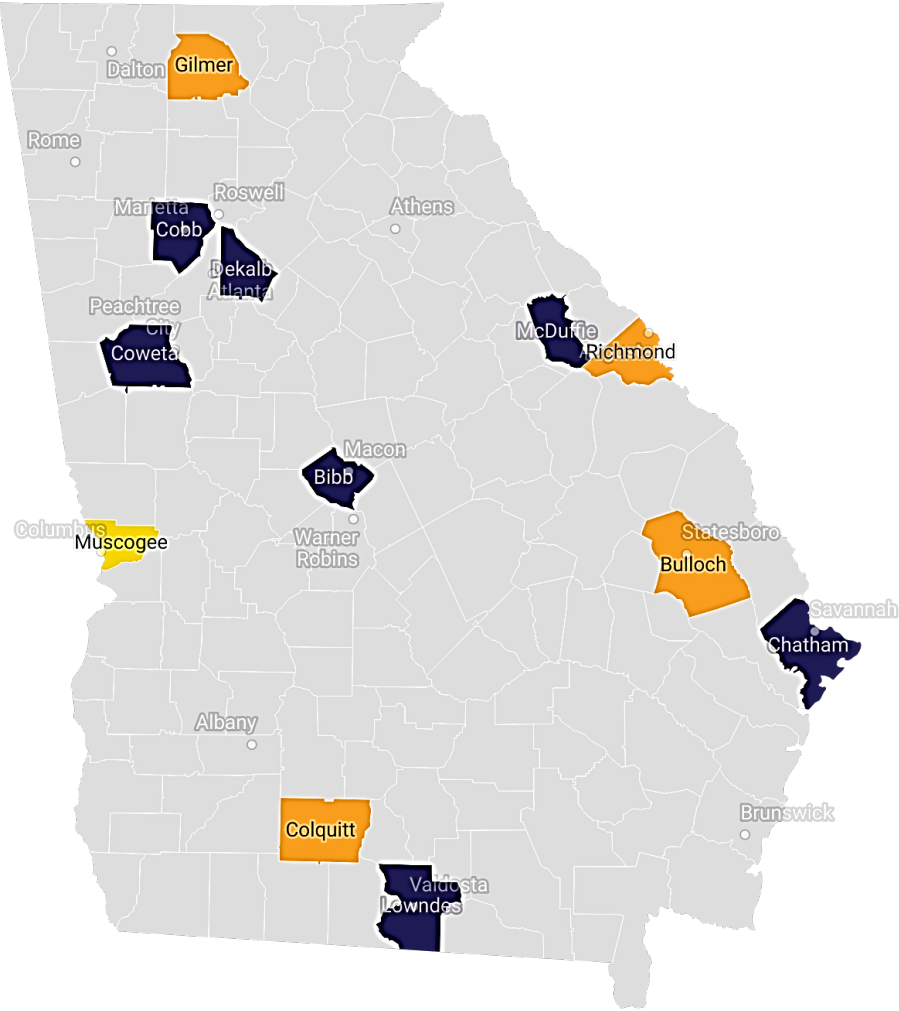
July 2022 – October 2022, Top 20 Counties



- Call volume has increased by **11%** since 9-8-8 “go live,” compared with same time period in 2022.
 - *Federal marketing delayed until Fall 2023*
- Rural south Georgians are reaching out for help at higher rates than urban areas.
 - *Increase in suicide rate in rural areas*
 - *Access to outpatient and stigma*

Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) and Co-Responder

Assisted Outpatient Treatment Co-Responder Both



AOT Provider	County
<i>Pineland</i>	Bulloch
AmericanWork	Richmond
Georgia Pines	Colquitt
Highland Rivers*	Gilmer
New Horizons*	Muscogee

Co-Responder Partners*	County
Cobb County CSB	Cobb
Pathways CSB + Coweta Fire/EMS	Coweta
Gateway Behavioral Health Services + Savannah Police Department	Chatham
Legacy Behavioral Health Services + Valdosta Police Department	Lowndes (<i>In Development</i>)
New Horizons Behavioral Health + Columbus Police Department	Muscogee
River Edge Behavioral Health + Macon-Bibb Sheriff's Office	Bibb (<i>In Development</i>)
Serenity Behavioral Health Systems + McDuffie County Sheriff's Office	McDuffie (<i>In Development</i>)
View Point Health + Chamblee Police Department	DeKalb

*Federally Funded

Governor's Budget Report

AFY 2023 and FY 2024



Statewide & Agencywide Changes

STATE FUNDS CHANGES	AFY2023	FY2024
\$2,000 Cost of Living Adjustment	-	\$ 30,941,430
Merit System Assessment Billings	-	\$ 78,024
DOAS Insurance Premiums	-	\$ (824)
TeamWorks Billing Adjustment	-	\$ 89,994
FMAP Rate Change	-	\$ 2,956,826

Budget Request: DBHDD Priorities

STATE FUNDS CHANGES	AFY2023	FY2024
Adult Developmental Disabilities: Annualize Funds for 513 Waivers		\$ 10,178,507
Adult Developmental Disabilities: 250 Additional NOW/COMP Waivers		\$ 4,199,684
Adult Developmental Disabilities: Consolidate Respite Services	\$ (1,600,000)	\$ (1,600,000)
Adult Developmental Disabilities – Special Project: Consolidate Respite Services	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 1,600,000
Adult Mental Health: Mobile Crisis Response Teams		\$ 6,288,973

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STATE FUNDS CHANGES	AFY2023	FY2024
Adult Mental Health: Annualize Funds for BHCC (Augusta)		\$ 1,985,803
Adult Mental Health: Provide funds for BHCC (Fulton County)		\$ 5,688,919
Adult Mental Health: Convert CSU to a BHCC (Dublin)		\$ 5,413,476
Adult Mental Health: Remove One-Time Funds for BH Rate Study		\$ (932,324)
Departmental Administration: Remove Funds for HB1321	\$ (261,823)	\$ (261,823)

Budget Request: DBHDD Priorities

STATE FUNDS CHANGES	AFY2023	FY2024
Direct Care & Support Services: Offline Beds at GRHA	\$ (1,974,229)	-
Direct Care & Support Services: Renovate the Kitchen at GRHA	\$ 9,905,000	-
Direct Care & Support Services: Capital Maintenance & Repairs	-	\$ 2,000,000